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1. THE FRG SCIENCE COMMUNITY IS CURRENTLY DEBATING
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THE ROLE IT SHOULD TAKE VIS-A-VIS SCIENCE COOPERATION
WITH USSR AND PARTICIPATION IN SOVIET SCIENCE
CONFERENCES AS CONSEQUENCE ORLOV TRIAL AND OTHER CASES
OF PERSECUTION OF DISSIDENT SCIENTISTS. THE GERMAN
SCIENTISTS HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING WITH GREAT INTEREST,
THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CERN SCIENTISTS AND BY THE US
SCIENCE COMMUNITY.

2. DURING A RECENT VISIT BY THE SCICOUNSELOR TO THE UNILAC HEAVY ION ACCELERATOR CENTER AT DARMSTADT, THE ORLOV CASE WAS THE SUBJECT OF LIVELY DISCUSSION AMONG THE SCIENTISTS THERE. THE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER (SCHMELZER) HAD CIRCULATED, WITHIN THE CENTER, COPIES OF THE EDITORIAL "AFTERMATH OF THE ORLOV TRIAL", THE ARTICLE BY VALENTIN TURCHIN, "WHY YOU SHOULD BOYCOTT THE RUSSIANS" AND VERA RICH'S ITEM "AMERICANS CANCEL VISITS IN PROTEST OVER ORLOV," WHICH ALL APPEARED IN THE MAY 25 ISSUE OF NATURE.

3. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT GERMAN SCIENCE SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTES DO NOT INTEND TO TAKE ANY FORMAL ACTION OR MAKE ANY PUBLIC STATEMENTS BUT WILL LEAVE IT UP TO THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS TO TAKE WHATEVER ACTION THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE.

4. EMBASSY BONN WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COPIES OF RESPONSES BY INFO POSTS TO REFTEL FOR BACKGROUND USE OF CSCE DELEGATION TO BONN EXPERTS MEETING.
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